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TO : Chief, Technical Branch DATE: 4 November 1953

FROM : [redacted] A

SUBJECT: Conference with [redacted] 4 November 1953. H-B/6

B/6 1. As arranged [redacted] was seen today at his office, [redacted]

2. It was his opinion that any approach by physical means that would do no lasting damage to emotional centers in the brain or elsewhere in the nervous system was impossible at this time. As a neuro-anatomist and neuro-pathologist, he doubted that any such approach, as by ultrasonics or other radiant energy, would ever be possible.

3. One should find, he believed, more numerous and more satisfactory drugs than the older morphin/scopolamin combination, which would act selectively on specific nerve centers. Personally, he disclaimed knowledge of helpful leads; e.g., would not offer an opinion on whether the currently controversial Mephenesin (Myanesin) was effective or not toward alleviating anxiety. He had no opinion to offer on Isoniazid. Among the more toxic drugs (he has written authoritatively on effects of cyanides), he did not expect useful developments.

B/6 4. [redacted] did suggest that we consult [redacted] of this City.

B/6 5. Although fully cooperative in a sense it was clear that [redacted] was uncomfortable. Certainly he would not care to be consulted again in this matter -- quite the opposite of C [redacted] who were respectively enthusiastic, encouraging and interested.

B/6 6. As to [redacted] he is associated with the [redacted] which -- to me -- might mean an undesirable ideology.

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